

[076] ~~Applications~~ The product of Example 23 displayed very good activity against the bacteria and acceptable activity against the yeast. There was, however, no apparent activity against the mold, *Aspergillus niger*

[077] ~~Applications~~ The product of Example 3 22 showed good activity against *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Candida Albicans* .

DISCUSSION OF THE AMENDMENT

Rejection under 35 USC 112

Applicant has amended the application to overcome the 112 rejections by;

1. Removing the reference to example 9 in paragraph [052].

Applicant thanks Examiner McIntosh for pointing out this editorial imperfection.

2. Inserting the value for R^{12} requested on page 20.

The definition is found on page 30 which makes up part of the original disclosure has been added in the paragraph as requested and is being used where requested. Applicant respectfully contends no new matter has been added.

3. Applicant has addressed the specification objections that were previously not addressed. Applicant has removed the table which relates applications examples to synthesis examples. Applicant stated:

[070]

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| Applications Example 1 | Example 18 |
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| Applications Example 2 | Example 23 |
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| Applications Example 3 | Example 22 |
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Applicant has as requested by Examiner McIntosh removed the reference to applications examples and simply replaced the example numbers using the above reference. While applicant believes it was clear as written, applicant has chosen to accommodate the recommendations as it is felt the amended language is easier to read. Again applicant thanks Examiner McIntosh.

4. Applicant has attached a terminal disclaimer to overcome the rejection under double patenting.

5. Applicant has amended claim 8 to make clear that compositions are in fact compositions not single compounds.

Several factors support this contention.

To support the amendatory language used in claim 8, applicant points specifically to:

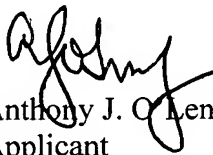
[024] Detailed Description of the Invention

The compositions of the present invention are mixtures conform to the following structures (emphasis added)

Applicant also points to:

[019] Alkyl polyglycosides are complex products made by the reaction of glucose and fatty alcohol. In dealing with the chemistry one talks about degree of polymerization (the so called "d.p."). In the case of traditional alkyl polyglycosides the d.p. is around 1.4. This means that on average there is 1.4 units of glucose for each alkyl group. The fact of the matter is that the resulting material is a mixture having an average of 1.4. (emphasis added)

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the claims as amended and anxiously awaits an early *Notice of Allowance* for the now pending claims.



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